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FM AMEMBASSY KINSHASA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9575
INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS
AMCONSUL BUKAVU
AMCONSUL LUBUMBASHI

C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 4526

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ELAB, PINT, CG
SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF MAY DAY SPEECH

1. BROADCAST OF TRADITIONAL MAY DAY SPEECH BY HEAD OF NATIONAL
TRATE UNION (UNTZA) SIWA DIO BANZA, RECORDED AT VOICE OF ZAIRE
STUDIOS AND SCHEDULED TO BE CARRIED ON BOTH RADIO AND TELEVISION,
WAS CANCELLED AT LAST MINUTE. ACCORDING TO SIWA, CANCELLATION
RESULTED FROM HIS REFUSAL OF PRIME MINISTER MPINGA'S REQUEST
THAT HE DELETE A PASSAGE FROM THE SPEECH.

2. THE OFFENDING PASSAGE BEGINS WITH THE OBSERVATION THAT THE
SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MOBUTU PLAN WILL REQUIRE MEN OF
CONFIDENCE AND INTEGRITY WHO ARE DEVOTED TO THE NATIONAL WELVARE.
IT THEN CONTINUES AS FOLLOWS: "IN FACT, THE COMINGS AND GOINGS IN
MINISTERIAL CORRIDORS OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WELL KNOWN FOR THEIR
DISHONESTY--ALWAYS THE SAME ONES--WHO SEEK TO HAVE THEMSELVES
NAMED TO THE KEY DECISION-MAKING POSITIONS NOW BEING FILLED,
OBLIGE US TO BE SKEPTICAL."

3. SIWA, WHO APPEARED RELAXED AND SOMEWHAT AMUSED BY THE CENSOR-
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SHIP, ANTICIPATES NO GOZ RETALIATON FOR HIS REFUSAL TO MODIFY
THE TEXT OF HIS SPEECH.
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